

Metro Squad Arrests 15 On Drug Charges



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Young People Accused

Detective Says
Narcotics Were
'Sold Like Candy'

BY BILL RUSH
Staff Writer

Police Tuesday struck at North Berrien county narcotics traffic in which drugs allegedly were being sold "like candy."

A three-month undercover investigation by the Berrien Metro Narcotics squad resulted in the arrest of 15 persons, mostly on charges of delivering (selling) narcotics.

Investigators from the metro squad headed teams of officers from 10 police departments in tracking down the suspects at their homes, schools and places of employment in the Coloma and Twin Cities areas.

Of those arrested, six gave Coloma addresses, four gave Benton Harbor addresses, two St. Joseph, one Watervliet, and one Berrien Springs. The 14 arrested range in age from 16 to 20. Two are females and 13 males.

Det. Lt. William Mihalik, metro squad commander, said his office has had six investigators working since June to penetrate the drug market and stem the wholesale narcotics operation that allegedly has been flourishing in the area.

Drug traffic is heavy throughout the county, but the metro squad zeroed in on the Coloma-Watervliet area because drugs were being sold "like candy," Mihalik explained.

Drug dealers were even conducting their sales in a parking lot in downtown Coloma, Mihalik said. Since the officers on the Coloma city and township police departments are all well known, a major undercover effort was required, he said.

Mihalik said drugs were getting into area schools and that drug selling will continue to "run rampant if it isn't investigated with scrutiny."

Metro investigators said the arrests "should shut down the drug traffic in Coloma for awhile." Drugs are still tight in Niles-Buchanan area and the dealers are scared to resume operations after arrests there last month, officers noted.

Investigators said "they have been making buys" of drugs and tried to make at least two drug purchases from persons under investigation.

Mihalik said his office has information that drug dealers from the north county were making pickups in Kalamazoo, Muskegon and Ann Arbor and bringing narcotics back here to sell to high school and college students. The source for the south part of the county is South Bend, Ind., and Michigan City, Ind., he added.

Officers pointed out that the dealers can buy barbiturates for three cents a capsule and sell them in this area for 50 cents to one dollar. LSD is bought for 10-15 cents a capsule and sells for two dollars. "The markup is fantastic and of course the demand is here," they said.

The squad isn't after those who are just trying drugs or make an occasional buy, officers explained. "This isn't nickel and dime stuff. We are concerned with those buying large quantities and making a profit."

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YOUNG CHICK TAKES A SNOOZE: While Daddy scans the horizon, 18-month-old Kimberlee Krueger catches a nap on the deck of the lighthouse at the north pier, St. Joseph. Kimberlee is supposed to be the youngest bird watcher in Berrien county, but the lake air is just too relaxing. Her father, Harry Krueger, an Andrews university student, is president of the Oronoko bird club and pursues his hobby while Kimberlee naps. (Walter M. Booth Photo)

Milliken Signs New Juvenile Trial Law

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Gov. William Milliken has signed into law a bill to restore to probate judges the power to send juveniles to trial as adults in cases of serious felony crimes.

"Such a law protects both the accused and society," Milliken said, citing "a great need" for the provision.

"This new law assures that when a young person is to be tried in a higher court, he will have a full hearing and a judge will (have to) make a formal finding based on new standards justifying the juvenile's trial as an adult."

The bill, signed Tuesday, has immediate effect.

Rep. Robert Traxler, D-Bay City, the bill's sponsor, said, "In my opinion the bill is constitutional and provides a means by which juveniles charged with serious felonies can be waived to circuit court for trial the same as adults."

The bill was rushed through the legislature after the State Supreme Court ruled July 27 that the old law was unconstitutional, vague and contained insufficient guidelines to protect the rights of young offenders.

The Supreme Court was scheduled today to rehear the case on which it based its opinion, which reversed the conviction of a 16-year-old Ann Arbor youth charged as an adult with check forgery.

A court spokesman said the rehearing would deal primarily with whether the opinion is retroactive, allowing for release of an estimated 90 youths sentenced under the old law.

Traxler said the rehearing "should have no effect on the new law unless the rehearing establishes standards we didn't include. Then we'll need some quick amendments."

The new law will effect youths of 15 and 16 years of age. Law bans waiving for trial as adults any juveniles younger than 15. Cases of persons 17 and older are handled initially in circuit court.

Guidelines created in the new law would require probate courts to:

- Give notice of a waiver hearing to the juvenile, prosecutor, parents or guardian;
- Advise all parties of the juvenile's right to an attorney. If he can't afford an attorney, the court will provide one but assess the costs against the parents "if they financially can bear it."

—Abstain from waiving juvenile.

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DIRECTS DRUG RAIDS: Det. Lt. William Mihalik, commander of the Berrien Metro Narcotics squad, has warrants on desk and holds bag for personal effects of suspects during briefing of 10 police teams that arrested 15 persons Tuesday in a series of drug raids in the Coloma and Twin Cities areas.

Young Coloma Man Arrested On Narcotics Charge

COLOMA — Roger D. Smith, 18, of Paw Paw Lake road, Coloma, was arrested yesterday by township police on a charge of delivering LSD.

The arrest came two days after a 16-year-old Coloma high school student was admitted to Watervliet Community hospital Sunday from what was described as an overdose of drugs. Police questioned the youth after being notified by hospital authorities.

Smith was arrested on a warrant issued by the Berrien prosecutor's office and lodged in county jail, according to township police.

Kenneth Unruh, Coloma city

police chief, said township and city police officers have been investigating the case for several weeks.

Big Purchase

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A real estate broker from Rome is returning home with a \$10,000 check she hopes to use as a down payment on the Colosseum.

The check being carried by Fausta Vitali is from Thomas Merriek of Laguna Beach, who says he is willing to pay \$1 million for the Roman amphitheater and up to \$2 million repairing it.

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Her Children's Grave Markers Not Acceptable

By GORDON HANSON
Associated Press Writer

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — "She wants no help other than public support to put her own grave stones back," says the mother of Cynthia Frederick.

"Can you make it clear that Cindy wants no charity?"

Cynthia, 21, spent hours patiently and gently fashioning grave markers for her two children, both of whom died hours after birth.

But cemetery officials

removed the headstones and hauled them away because they are made of concrete. A 1931 city ordinance specifies grave stones must be made of granite or bronze.

The stones, placed on the graves Aug. 26, now are languishing beside a cemetery maintenance shed.

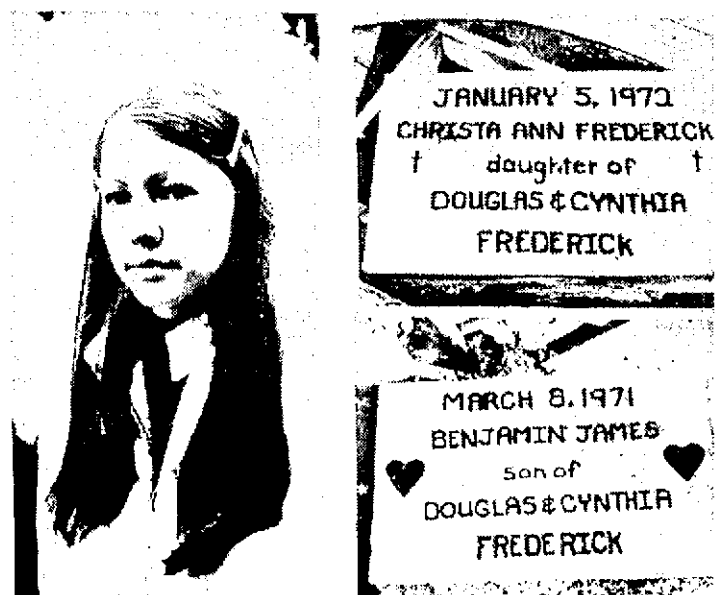
Cynthia, who discovered about two weeks ago that the markers had been removed, left Monday to join her husband, Douglas, 21, who has a two-year

hitch remaining with the U.S. Army at Stuttgart, West Germany. Her departure came one day before the cemetery committee of the city Park Board decided against granting an exception in the case.

"We didn't realize we should have gone to the meeting," Cynthia's mother, Mrs. George Griffin said Tuesday.

Mrs. Griffin said that before Cynthia left she

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MOTHER AND HOMEMADE GRAVESTONES: Mrs. Douglas Frederick of Des Moines, Iowa made two concrete graves for her infant children, but the stones were removed from the graves. After she joined her husband in Germany, where he is stationed with the Army, her family fought an uphill battle against City Hall to get the stones returned to the graves. (AP Wirephoto)

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Wonder How Other 55% Of Americans Would Vote

Political polls so far indicate a lopsided tally will be recorded on Nov. 7, but one pollster has thrown some results into the hopper which could change the totals considerably. According to the Sindlinger poll, which has been conducted for 17 years by Alfred E. Sindlinger, 55 per cent of adult Americans are not planning to vote in the November presidential election.

It's Nice George Is An Idealist

On at least three occasions, George McGovern has likened the Nixon administration to the Hitler regime. And now he says the Nixon administration is "the most corrupt" in U.S. history. It's nice for the GOP that George, as he says, is an "idealist." Otherwise, he might get nasty.

Bike Boom Grows Despite Traffic Danger And Theft

The bicycle boom shows no sign of abating. According to the Bicycle Institute of America, 8.9 million bikes were sold in the United States last year, as against 3.7 million in 1960. For 1972, the BIA predicts 11 million sales.

That's the good news. The bad news is that bicycle thefts and bicycle injuries and deaths also are on the rise. The National Safety Council logged 850 bike deaths and 40,000 injuries in 1971, compared with 500 deaths and 27,000 injuries a decade earlier.

And that's why bicycle manufacturers and importers will meet in Washington this week Thursday with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration officials to establish bike safety standards.

Bicycle riders are vulnerable, of course, to crowding by cars and buses and to potholes and storm sewer gratings. "But remember, a bike is a lethal weapon, too, vis-a-vis pedestrians," notes Dr. Reynauld Chase, who makes house calls in New York City on his two-wheeler. "When they zoom along on their 10-speeders at 20 or 25 m.p.h., kids don't realize the weight and momentum add up to a lethal force. And they often run the

The Stamp Act Finally Goes Off Britain's Books

Britain has discovered that despite the profound effects the Boston Tea Party had on the colonies' relationship with the mother country, the laws of taxation which caused all the fuss are still on the books. In typical taciturn fashion, the British Law Commission has ruled the Taxation of Colonies Act "is no longer of practical utility."

A number of colonies thought the same nearly two centuries ago, although they expressed their opinions in somewhat stronger manner. Nevertheless, it is good of the British to put in motion the procedures needed to repeal the somewhat abused act.

Along with another ancient act which permitted the sovereign to behead those convicted of treason if he tired of too many hangings. That one also is obsolete, especially since the death penalty was abolished in Britain in 1965.

The criteria used in this poll is unclear (who are considered "adult Americans," and were all those queried registered voters?). Nevertheless, the likelihood exists that fewer than a majority will decide who runs the nation for the next four years.

Americans excel at staying home on election days. Few other nations—if any—have such a poor turnout record. The natural question is, why?

The question has been asked many times, without generating a single satisfactory answer. Growing political cynicism may explain some of it.

The mushrooming number of third party movements encompassing all political persuasions indicates some dissatisfaction with either major party. Some voters, of course, simply don't care.

Nevertheless, the possibility that only 45 per cent may vote could itself have a heavy effect on the outcome, depending on whose 45 per cent it is.

lights, or cut in and out of traffic."

The theft problem is great and growing. In California alone, between 400,000 and 450,000 bicycles worth from \$20 million to \$30 million were stolen in 1971. Hardest hit was the San Francisco Bay Area, where 50 cities in nine counties reported a 300 per cent increase in bike thefts since 1969. In the nation as a whole, the number of thefts rose by 57 per cent between 1966 and 1971.

Stealing a bicycle has long been regarded as a relatively minor crime, and that is one reason why it is so popular. Many drug addicts have forsaken burglary for bike theft because the penalty is lighter. And the chance of getting caught are considerably less. Nationwide, the clearance rate for burglary is 19 per cent and for automobile theft, 16 per cent. In the Los Angeles area, according to Sgt. William Kusch of the sheriff's department, the clearance rate for bicycle theft is around 6 per cent.

But the prime attraction of bicycle theft is the money involved. Contrary to what some people may think, it is no nickel-and-dime undertaking. A stolen 10-speed model in good condition has a resale value of around \$75, and there are plenty of takers. An accomplished thief can make off with as many as 15 bikes a day, regardless of how well they are secured.

College towns are particularly lucrative for bike thieves because of the large number of student pedalers. The theft situation is out of hand on many a Michigan campus. In Ann Arbor, home of the University of Michigan, for example, no one simply padlocks his rear wheel any more. Thieves cart such ill-protected bikes off in vans or trucks. U-M students secure their bikes to trees or posts with heavy chains wrapped around front and back wheels and frame, then padlocked.

Police are beginning to deal with bicycle theft as a major property crime. On at least one occasion, this approach has led to tragedy. In Washington, D.C., a 16-year-old boy was fatally shot Aug. 1 while fleeing on a bike planted by undercover police.

Still, the lure of the bicycle continues to cast its spell. Numerous cities have established special bikes-only routes. The Oregon Legislature went so far as to approve a bill directing that at least one per cent of all state highway funds be used for construction of bicycle trails and footpaths.

What promises to be one of the nation's most scenic and heavily used bike paths is now being laid out on the Virginia shore of the Potomac. When completed next April, it will link the city of Alexandria and George Washington's home at Mount Vernon. The route will be free of potholes and, it is hoped, thieves. Meanwhile, the 75 million or more Americans who pedal for fun or exercise would be well advised to keep this thought in mind: "Biker Beware."

UN Might Act-- But Not Likely

The General Assembly agrees to talk about international terrorism. One of these years it may even do something about it.



GLANCING BACKWARDS

BEARS WIN
BUT LOSE QB
—1 Year Ago—

St. Joseph got one wish but lost another while breaking Dowagiac's touted wishbone offense at Dickinson Stadium.

A big crowd saw coach Ike Muhlenkamp's Bears roll to their third win of the season 20-6 while limiting the Chiefs to a total offense of 62 yards. But the Big Six opening victory could be costly. Quarterback Brian Haack suffered a broken right hand and may be lost for

the season.

SCHIRRA:
"GO FOR SIX"
—10 Years Ago—

Astronaut Walter M. Schirra Jr. whirled round and round the globe today, carrying the United States space banner on its longest trek yet. "Hallelujah" was the spaceman's cry from the sky as he got the "go" signal to try for completion of his assigned mission — six complete circuits. He was then on his third

orbit and soon afterward sped into his fourth.

ALLIES MENACE
JAP POSITIONS
—29 Years Ago—

Japanese troops, ousted from Finschhafen, are compressed into virtually hopeless positions on Huon peninsula in New Guinea, and the whole northeastern shore to Madang is menaced by allies.

Huon peninsula juts out toward strategic New Britain. The veteran Australian Ninth division seized Finschhafen and Australians are pressing against the Japanese by land.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

APPROVE STAND ON
ARAB TERRORISTS

Editor,
On behalf of the Benton Harbor Chapter of Hadassah, I thank you for your excellent recent editorials concerning the Arab Terrorists.

We agree wholeheartedly that terrorists are made, not born, and we deplore their activities.

We appreciate your speaking out on such subjects.

Sondra Levin
Secretary
399 Brownway
Benton Harbor

COMPLAINS ABOUT
SHORT HOURS

Editor,
Friday, Sept. 29, 1972, there was a large spread on page 3 of your newspaper about the new heart care unit at Mercy Hospital. The article gave 1-6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 1, as open house hours.

This was also mentioned several times over WHFB and WJSM, each announcement with the times 1-6 p.m.

Yet when we arrived at 5:20 p.m. we were told by the Pinkerton man at the desk, "Oh, the ladies (guides) all went home. That's all over." Reducing the time by over 13 per cent without notice is uncalled for, unfair and unkind.

Miss O. L. Grady
Route 3, box 330
Benton Harbor

EDITOR'S NOTE: The lady guides were volunteers. They left when no further visitors were on hand, obviously missing at least one in the process.

STUDENT AGAINST
ABORTIONS

Editor,
I am a student at Lake Michigan Catholic Middle School. I think that women that want abortions are murderers. They are killing human beings.

Those babies should have a life like you and I. I think that a baby should be able to spend its life. Pregnant women should let their baby be born even if they don't want it. If there was a law where you could give your baby to someone who wants a baby very badly, there would be more children that can decide if they want to live or not. If everyone would realize that abortions are cruel and

inhuman this world would be a better place in which to live.

William Kendrick
age 11
216 Collins avenue
Benton Harbor

SORROWS ARE
SOOTHED

Editor,
Those beautiful words, I quote, from Dear Brother Otis Gatewood: "We are sad because he is gone but the expressions of love, and words of praise for him from so many have greatly soothed our sorrows. And eternal and soul satisfying joy has settled in our hearts this joy binds us to all, to Dewayne, and to Heaven, in a greater way than ever before, and inspires us to work, more efficiently and diligently."

Opal Selvidge and Family
639 Phillips street
South Haven

PRIVATE SCHOOL
TAX MONEY

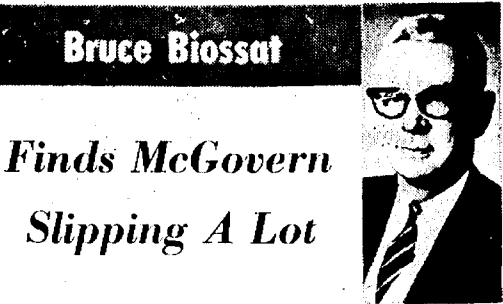
Editor,
The people of the state of Michigan are appalled by the sight of our presidential candidates of both parties and our Michigan congressional candidates of both parties as they try to out run each other in their support of some form of tax credit for the parents of children being sent to parochial and non-sectarian private schools. Senator Griffin, Attorney General Frank Kelley, Congressman Gerald C. Ford, Martha Griffiths, Charles Chamberlain and Guy Vander jagt all have joined the

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Secret Service Ordered New Heating System

WASHINGTON (AP) — Taxpayers footed the bill for a \$13,500 heating system for President Nixon's private seaside residence because the old heating unit was a threat to his safety, according to the Secret Service.

Columist Jack Anderson reported the expenditure Tuesday. The Secret Service confirmed it, saying the government paid the bill because: "We were the ones that urged the system be changed over."



WASHINGTON (NEA) — Sen. George McGovern's failure to gain acceptance in the broad American electorate is a difficult phenomenon for the analysts to fathom. How has the Democrats' overwhelming winner at Miami Beach fallen so far?

That he has slipped rather than gained is underscored by the New York Times' latest survey of the 16 biggest states, completed Sept. 12 and giving President Nixon a 39-point lead as against the 20-point spread he had more than a month earlier.

When McGovern began to win in the spring, a surge that started with his Wisconsin primary victory in early April, he was suddenly portrayed as a champion of the alienated — the voter angry over taxes, distrustful of government and politics, looking for new solutions to urban chaos, the welfare mess, etc.

His string of successes through June seemed to confirm these judgments. Altogether he won 10 primaries, and his rivals fell back. Only the disabled Alabama Gov. George Wallace had any comparable impact on the legions of disenchanted voters.

The big question by

nominating time, was what these and other voters would think and do when McGovern was thrown into the one-on-one situation with Mr. Nixon. The devastating opinion polls are providing at least a preliminary answer.

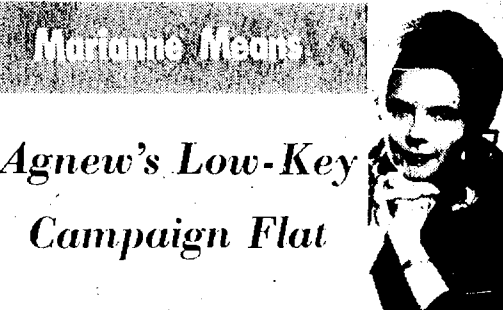
Wallace's alienated appeal to be favoring Mr. Nixon. The President also seems to be getting a good share of those who went for McGovern in the spring.

Probably McGovern's hold on the alienated never was as great as the primary and other spring results suggested. In Wisconsin, for instance, he won with just 30 per cent of the vote.

But new official figures show that in the state's most populous area, Milwaukee County, only 23 per cent of registered voters went to the polls. The city turnout was less than 21 per cent. Since a fair proportion voted Republican, this means McGovern got 30-plus per cent of the remainder.

In huge New York, where he had really no primary opposition, the turnout also was very small. Only in California, in his heated contest with Sen. Hubert Humphrey, was it fairly sizable.

So McGovern never has, up to now, won the hearts and votes of truly large numbers.



GALESBURG, ILL. — "The McGovern people were saying four weeks ago they would make a big issue out of Spiro Agnew," Vice Presidential press secretary Vic Gold observed smugly. "Well, no way."

So far, Gold is right. The new, sleek, dignified and well-disciplined 1972 model Agnew has given McGovern no opening for attack.

In fact, Agnew is coming across as far less shrill on partisan issues than his talkative, hyperactive counterpart, Sargent Shriver. The man who made verbal boo-boos in the 1968 campaign and who shook up the nation with his inflammatory rhetoric during much of his Vice Presidency is gone, at least for the moment. He has become even more cautious and proper than his mentor, Richard Nixon.

The Agnew scenario calls for an emphasis upon issues, at the risk of tedium; a well-organized but leisurely campaign pace; and with rare exceptions the use of the stiletto rather than the hatchet. In fact, the danger is that now Agnew may be too subtle for his audiences. He did not exactly arouse the faithful here in this small rural community

when he spoke at a farm progress show last week, even though the area is heavily Republican.

Agnew said, "I'm not here under false pretenses — I'm not going to milk a cow or anything like that. I grew up as a city boy." The crowd stared at him blankly, completely missing the jab at Shriver, who is no farm boy either but who energetically milked a cow the other day.

Agnew did get faint applause for a line in which he announced "a special subsidy for all farmers who promise not to grow McGovernites." But that was as punchy as he got, and the crowd seemed more bored than bedazzled.

Agnew's campaign, except that so far there is more of it, is virtually a carbon copy of the President's. There is constant emphasis upon Nixon's achievements in foreign policy. There are a lot of references to how wonderful and pro-Nixon young people are. There is the calculated remoteness from direct contact with large numbers of strangers, even if they do vote. There is, in fact, quite an air of competence and confidence.

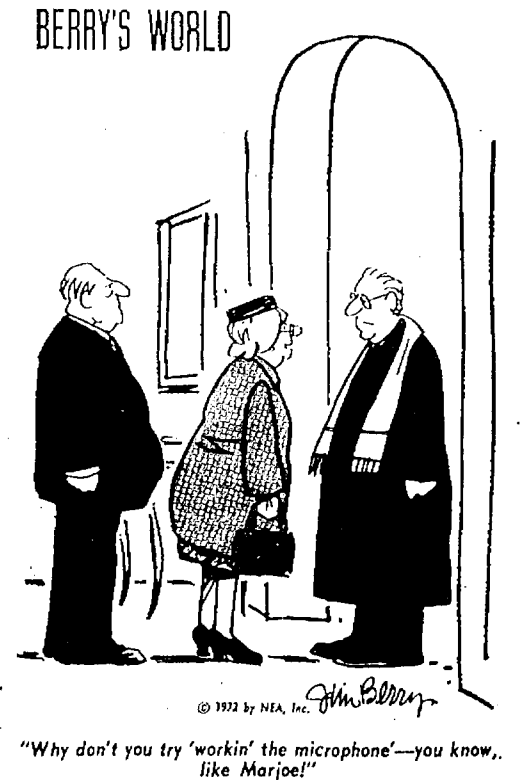
In only one way does Agnew's approach seem to differ substantially from that of the President. Agnew's early travels have concentrated upon states which held key Senate races this year — Illinois, Tennessee, North Carolina, Virginia, Texas, Kentucky. The Vice President plugs the GOP candidates, a chore Nixon cannot do without jeopardizing his efforts to win Democratic voters.

Third FBI Agent Is Disciplined

WASHINGTON (AP) — Another veteran FBI agent has been disciplined and transferred, Justice Department sources have disclosed.

The agent, Richard D. Rogge, 46, was transferred in July from Honolulu, where he was special agent in charge, to Richmond, Va., in the same capacity, sources said Tuesday.

He is the third agent to have been transferred for disciplinary reasons since L. Patrick Gray III became acting director of the FBI in May.



UCF Campaign Tops \$180,000 Mark

Following a slow week of campaigning, United Community Fund now stands at \$183,504 in pledges.

The figure is \$25,000 higher than the \$158,018 recorded at last week's official report meeting. The latest results were posted following an official audit held at UCF headquarters late yesterday afternoon.

Despite the small increase over the past week, Campaign

Chairman Roe Shoemaker said he was confident that a much higher total will be reported at next week's report meeting.

The meeting will be held at noon on Tuesday, Oct. 10 at the St. Joseph Holiday Inn through the sponsorship of Michigan Bell Telephone Co., Michigan Gas Utilities Co. and Indiana and Michigan Electric Co.

Shoemaker urged all UCF volunteers to attend and turn in reports either at that time or prior to the meeting.

"We know that many solicitations have been completed but not yet reported," he said. "And the reports that we are getting are excellent, but there is much work to be done if we are to make the promise of this campaign a reality."

Although UCF does not have an official campaign goal this

year, Shoemaker's volunteers are shooting for \$664,880, the total amount requested by the 45 UCF services for 1973 operating funds. To reach such a figure, the United Fund will need an increase of between 15 and 20 per cent in pledges.

The most encouraging sign so far, Shoemaker noted, has been the pledges reported by 10 firms in the advance Pacesetter division. These companies, which last year accounted for \$52,843 in pledges, this year have reported \$72,058, a 14.7 per cent increase.

"It isn't just the big companies and the large employee groups that are helping us, though," the UCF chairman observed. "The other day, I received a \$5 check made out to UCF with this note: 'I am retired, on pension and past 85

years, but I always like to help.'

"There are people all over town who are responding this way to the spirit of the United Fund. We urge anyone who is not normally contacted through his place of business — retirees, for example — to call the United Fund office, 983-6515, if they want to help us in our struggle to meet our community needs."

Four more employee groups were announced yesterday as winners of the UCF Good Neighbor award for outstanding increases over last year's support. They are the employees of Mercy Hospital, Pollack Forests, Inc., the Fairplain branch of the First National Bank of Southwestern Michigan and the Millburg branch of the First National Bank of Watervliet.



TEAR JERKERS: Fun-loving Dr. George F. Atwell, Stevensville dentist, livened up St. Joseph Kiwanis club meeting Tuesday by operating pair of glasses complete with tiny wipers. Dr. Atwell said glasses should become standard equipment for future Kiwanis canoe trips after chairman reported several canoe teams were dumped into the Pine river on recent trip. (Staff Photo)

BH Mayor Pleads For Standard Alloys In Pollution Suit

By BRANDON BROWN
Staff Writer

Mayor Charles F. Joseph of Benton Harbor took the witness stand Tuesday in Berrien circuit court to ask that a Benton Harbor company accused of air pollution be allowed to continue operating.

Mayor Joseph's testimony came in the first day of a hearing continued from August on a state attorney general's petition for a preliminary injunction ordering Michigan Standard Alloys to stop

polluting the air. It's part of a suit against MSA.

Counsel for MSA has said an injunction would shut down two Benton Harbor zinc and aluminum smelter plants which employ some 300 to 350 persons.

The loss of 300 to 350 jobs would cost the city increased unemployment, welfare and crime, the Mayor testified.

"The more people we have working, the better off we all are," the Mayor testified. He said on the stand he hoped a

solution to MSA's problem could be found without shutting it down, that he does not take a "hard line" and that the city would prefer to work with plants on problem-solving while keeping plants within the city to help its economy and tax base.

Thirty-five to 40 per cent of the city's population is receiving public assistance in the form of aid to senior citizens, aid to the blind, Aid to Dependent Children, etc., Mayor Joseph said.

At the start of the hearing Aug. 30 and 31 in Judge William S. White's court, MSA's counsel, St. Joseph Atty. George Keller, argued the company is lagging its own anti-pollution technology posthaste and needs more time.

Assistant Atty. Gen. Patrick Devlin charged then that MSA is doing "too little, too late at the expense of the public."

On Tuesday, Keller said he filed a motion asking Judge White to deny the attorney general's request for injunction and punitive fine, but to order MSA to comply with a pollution abatement schedule predicting a start-up with pollution control equipment of May 1, 1974, for the zinc plant and July 1, 1974, for the aluminum plant.

Also on Tuesday, Devlin said he filed a motion for summary judgment that would:

—Hold MSA in violation of a Sept. 21, 1971, final order by the Michigan Air Pollution Control Commission.

—Enter a permanent injunction barring pollution.

—And levy a penalty against MSA. The attorney general's suit asks \$31,100 plus \$100 daily for every day after Aug. 1.

Besides Mayor Joseph, Atty. Keller called to the stand Tuesday Chief Engineer John E. Mutchler of George D. Clayton & Associates, a Southfield anti-pollution engineering firm hired by MSA; and Jay Fowler, MSA vice president for operations.

Keller drew testimony from Mayor Joseph and Fowler that MSA officials and Keller went to Lansing Sept. 26, spoke with Atty. Gen. Frank Kelley and won a resolution from the state air pollution control commission to "explore" settlement of the suit.

Mutchler testified some air

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Benton Ratifies Pact For Police Pay Hike

By ROGER WELSHANS
Staff Writer

Benton township trustees last night ratified a contract with Benton township police calling for an across the board five per cent wage increase.

The contract had been tabled two weeks for further study by board members. The wage

increase will be retroactive to April 1, the date the old contract expired.

The contract also provides an improved hospitalization insurance plan and additional clothing and equipment allowances.

Trustees approved a similar increase in July for Benton

township firemen.

In other action, trustees learned the estimated cost per lot to install water mains in a central district of the township. The district is bounded on the north by Territorial road, on the east by Highland avenue, on the south by Fairview avenue, and on the west by Fair avenue.

Cost estimates were prepared by Barger Engineering, St. Joseph. The cost per lot could be a maximum of \$850, or a minimum of \$700. The variance is caused by 58 lots Barger Engineering is uncertain can be assessed for water installation. The actual cost per lot will probably be somewhere between the extremes cited in the report.

The estimates do not include a tap-in fee, or running a line into the home. According to a Barger Engineering representative, this could add \$200 to \$400 to the cost per lot of

installing the water mains.

Board members voted to start circulating petitions seeking signatures calling for a public hearing on whether or not residents want the mains to be installed.

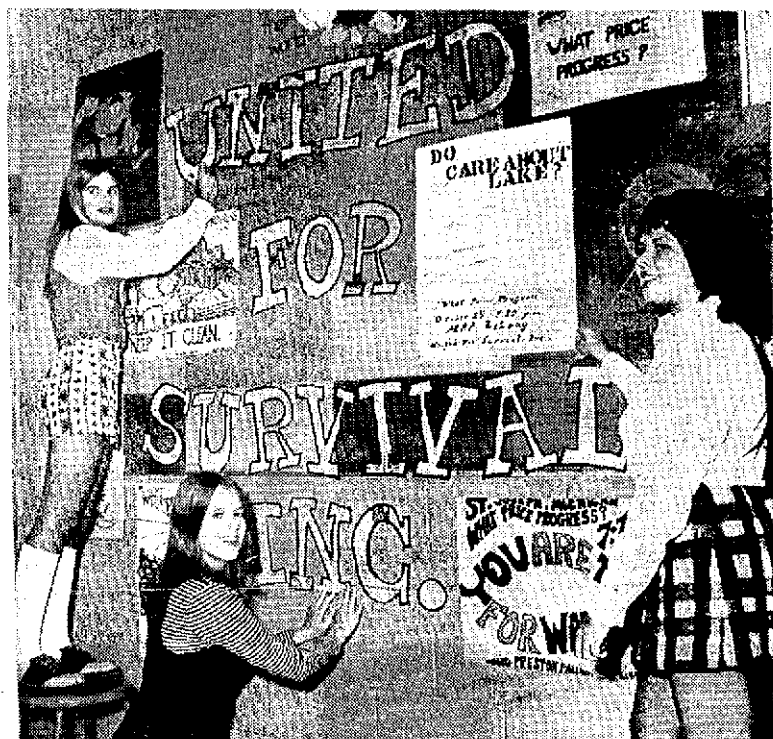
Trustees also voted last night to:

—Recommend to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission (MLCC) a request by Whincos, Inc. for a Resort Tavern license for the Pizza Hut located on M-139 near the Fairplain Plaza be granted.

—Recommend to the MLCC that a request by Osco Drug, Inc. for a beer and wine take-out license be issued for 756 East Napier avenue.

—Recommend to the MLCC that a request by Jewel Companies, Inc. for another beer and wine take-out license 756 East Napier avenue be granted.

According to a representative of Jewel Food Store, located at 756 Napier avenue, both Osco Drug and Jewel Companies are subsidiaries of Jewel Tea Co. Inc., and compete with each other in the same store in some merchandising areas. The representative explained this arrangement caused the unusual request for two liquor



POSTERS PLUG UFS ANNUAL MEET: Students of Miss Andrea Belski's art class at St. Joseph High school have prepared a score of custom posters to draw attention to the annual meeting of United for Survival, a local ecology group. The meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 19 at the Maud Preston Palenske Memorial library in St. Joseph. Theme of the meeting and the posters is: "What Price Progress?" Students working on the poster are from left: Rebecca Baker, Karla Burke and Nancy Matson. (Staff Photo)

Health Planning Will Be Topic Of Forum

A public forum on Health Planning will be conducted by the Southwestern Michigan Comprehensive Health Planning association on Wednesday, Oct. 18, as a feature of Michigan Health Week.

The day-long meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. at the Ramada Inn, at I-94 and M-139, Benton Harbor.

The public, and especially candidates for legislative office, have been invited to attend and to participate, according to Paul Richey, coordinator for the association. The association has a membership of some 45 persons from Berrien, Van Buren and Cass counties.

The morning session will introduce the theme, "Where In Health Are We?", with a brief outline of the health planning process by Richey.

The group will divide into smaller workshop groups to focus on specific topics: 1. Health Manpower, How Many Do We Need?; 2. Health Care Costs—How Do We Respond to

Inflation?; 3. Environment That Supports Health; and 4. Mental Health Rather Than Mental Illness.

The workshop groups will chart lists of health priorities toward the end of the morning session. Following a luncheon sponsored by the health

planning association, the entire group will hear the lists of health priorities for review by standing committees.

A final item will be a committee report on highlights of a revised set of association by-laws. Adjournment is scheduled for 4 p.m.

BH Man Found Guilty By Jury

A 21-year-old Benton Harborite accused of breaking and entering Service Furniture Store in Benton Harbor last Aug. 17 was convicted by jury Tuesday in Berrien circuit court.

Jurors in Judge Chester J. Byrns' court deliberated 133 minutes before reaching a verdict against Robert Lewis Duckett, Jr., of 943 Waukonda.

He was remanded to jail in lieu of \$5,000 bond to await sentence of up to 10 years.

The one-day trial saw Assistant Prosecutor Edward Skinner oppose court-appointed Atty. Richard Globensky of St. Joseph.

Morris Jones Named President Of SJ Kiwanis



MORRIS R. JONES
Heads S. J. Kiwanis

Morris R. Jones, 57, is the new president of St. Joseph Kiwanis club, installed Tuesday on a platform of action.

Dr. Harzel Taylor, Kiwanis district lieutenant governor installed Jones, awarded a past president's plaque to Greg Longpre and charged the following new officers: Steve Schafer, president elect; Alan McKee, first vice president; Bill Brunson, second vice president; Kenneth McKeown, secretary; Robert Spink, attendance secretary; Steve Pede, treasurer; Harvey Johnson, McKee, Robert O'Neill and Milburn Strunk, directors, one-year; Kenneth

Duesenberg, Mark Kruggel and Larry Slanton, directors, two-years.

Morris called for three 100 per cent attendance months; two ladies' nights instead of one; every Kiwanian on a service committee and another major fund raising project in addition to the big pancake lunch and dinner now sponsored.

Morris said being president of Kiwanis was an honor and a challenge.

Morris, of 4922 Washington avenue, St. Joseph, owns and operates Jones Real Estate. He is a trustee on the Lincoln Township board, formerly was chairman of its citizens

planning committee; is past-president of the Multiple Listing System and is a past chairman of the board of trustees of First Baptist Church of St. Joseph. He has been a member of the St. Joseph Kiwanis club since 1962.

Fifth Successive Year

BH Enrollment Declines Again

By JIM SHANAHAN

BH City Editor
Benton Harbor school district enrollment has declined for the fifth successive year to a 1972 total of 10,793 students in grades kindergarten through 12.

Robert W. Payne, assistant superintendent for personnel, reported enrollments last Friday, the official day for

state aid purposes, showed 6,558 students in grades K-6; 1,656 in grades 7-8; and 2,579 in senior high for the 10,793 total.

The K-12 count is 114 less than last year but the 1972 decrease is the smallest since 1969.

Adult education enrollment is 278, equated on a full-time basis, giving the district a total of 11,071 students for purposes

of state aid.

Last year's grand total was 11,265.

Payne said the 1972 figures are subject to audit by the Berrien county intermediate school office.

In making budget estimates, the Benton Harbor district figured on a K-12 and adult enrollment of 11,000. The 11,071 total means slightly more state

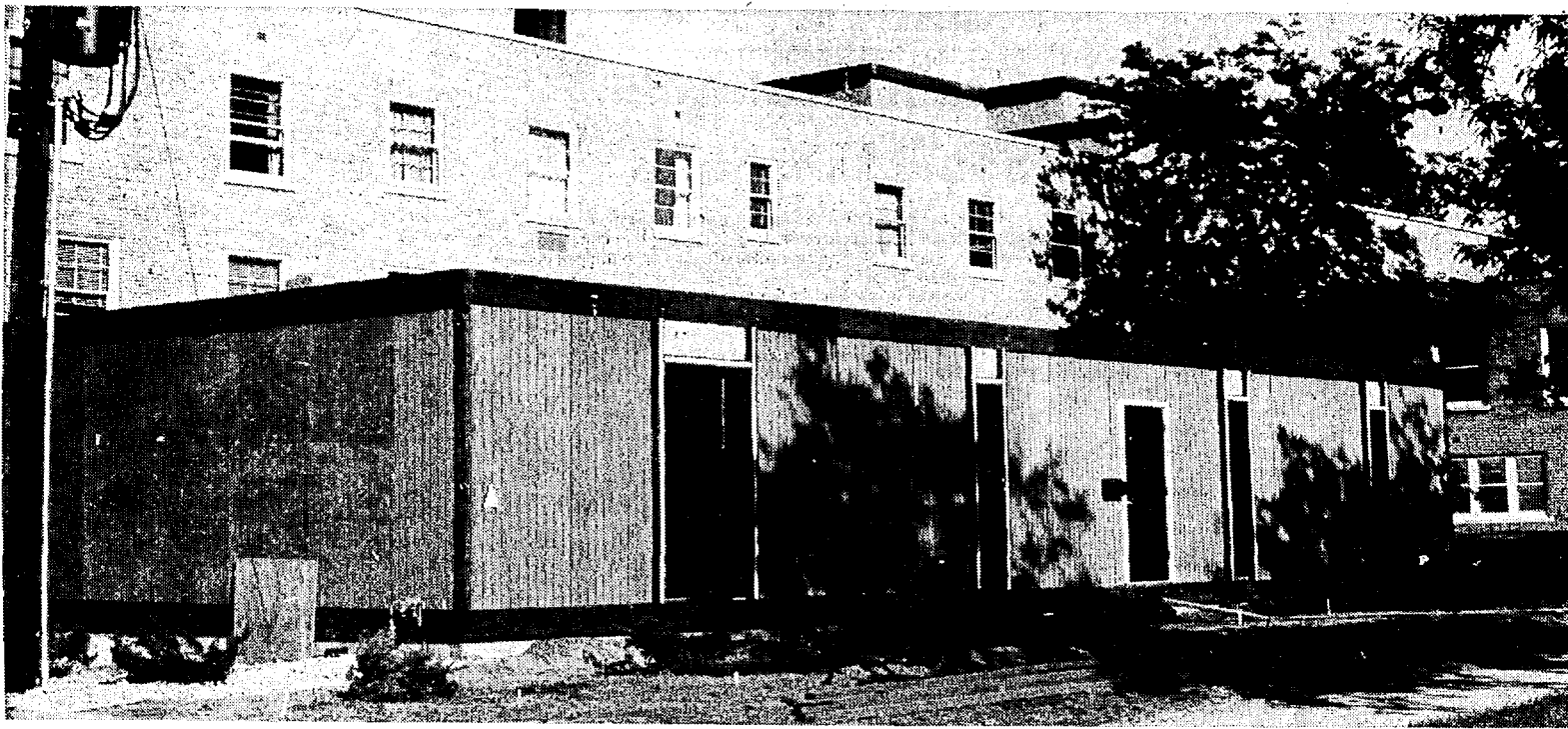
aid than estimated.

Robert R. Smith, school district business manager, reported net state aid per student should total \$380.25 or a total of \$4,209,717 for the district.

Senior high school enrollment is reported at 2,579 — only nine less than last year. Benton Harbor enrollment peaked at 12,049 in 1967. Since

there has been a drop of 1,255 students. Following are K-12 enrollment figures since consolidation of 1965:

1965	11,729
1966	11,890
1967	12,049
1968	11,821
1969	11,740
1970	11,325
1971	10,967
1972	10,793



CENTER TO OPEN: Comstock Memorial Family Health Care center, located on grounds of Dowagiac Lee Memorial hospital, in background, will be

dedicated at 2 p.m. Sunday. An open house will follow. The 48 by 60 foot modular building includes four examination rooms, four small conference rooms, large

assembly room, business office and work space for staff. (Staff photo)

Innovative Health Center To Open Sunday

Dowagiac Facility Leading Way

BY ORVIN JOHNSON
Staff Writer

DOWAGIAC — The eyes of health officials around the country are on Comstock Memorial Family Health Care center as it prepares to open its doors here Sunday.

According to its administrator, Charles White, the center is launching an innovative program designed to prove that in the area of health services there is truth to the adage that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

For the 500 families expected to enroll, the center will provide a continuing program of health services coupled with education. The intent: To prevent illness before it strikes. By careful screening of

applicants. White said, the center hopes to secure participants interested in attending classes and keeping their scheduled examinations. For slacks, the center has hired two "outreach" workers who will visit homes and encourage participation. Another worker will transport patients who otherwise would remain away.

The \$60,000 modular building is on grounds of Lee Memorial hospital. Its location there rather than on a site purchased for it by the county resulted, in part, from the concern of some residents that the center might add to welfare rolls.

Cass commissioners initially backed the center, then backed out. In February 1971, they endorsed an application for

federal money to build the center. Later in the year they pledged \$18,000 to match the \$60,000 federal grant and spent \$7,500 for a site in Dowagiac.

Last May, however, the commissioners withdrew their \$18,000 pledge amid talk that a center of this type might attract transients to settle down, increasing the welfare load.

Though the center is intended mainly for Cass county residents, it is the Berrien county health department and Dr. Robert P. Locey whom White credits with early planning and efforts to secure federal money.

White said the families enrolled in the program will be required to be permanent residents. Other requirements

are that the head of the household be employed and that the family is currently without a regular doctor of its own. Collectively, he said, the families will represent a cross section of the local population, drawing from the range of economic strata.

Service will administered on a fee basis, White said. Medicaid will assist the needy. Eventually, he said, the center is to become self-sufficient. This should happen after the first three years, when federal funds for operation run out. In its first year, the center will receive about \$200,000 in federal money to finance its operation.

One of the tests of the program will be a determination of the costs arising from this new method of delivering health care. This determination will be made by members of the College of Human Medicine at Michigan State university.

The center's staff will include three physicians working on a part-time basis. By 1973, White said there will be a physician working on a fulltime basis.

Other staff members, besides White, are an assistant administrator, social worker, nurse, two secretaries, a receptionist as well as the outreach workers and transportation employee.

The shape of the educational program, White said, will be determined largely by interests of the people who enroll. Likely subjects are expectant mothers, general health education and problems of daily living as they relate to health.

The center will issue a

newsletter to participants as another part of its educational effort.

Guidance of the center is entrusted to a nine-member board of directors, composed of Cass county residents elected in an informal process, by interested citizens. Four of the directors are to be

"providers," such as doctors, nurses and dentists. The majority are to be laymen.

At present, White said, the center is not closely linked to neighboring Lee Memorial hospital. In the long range, however, the center may be integrated with the hospital's outpatient program, he added.

Schedule Changed For Volpe Dinner

Because of a change in the schedule of John Volpe, Secretary of Transportation, the format for tomorrow night's \$100-a-plate Republican fund raising dinner at the Ramada Inn, Benton Harbor, has been revised.

The reception in Volpe's honor will begin at 6:30 p.m. Secretary Volpe will begin his speech promptly at 7:30 with dinner following his remarks. The press conference for area news media is now scheduled for 6 p.m.

Tickets for the dinner can be obtained by contacting Montgomery Shepard or Steve Larkin in St. Joseph. Tickets will also be sold at the door tomorrow evening.

The changes were required to allow Secretary Volpe to catch a plane back to Washington, D.C., immediately after the dinner.

Three Scout Units Voting On Merger

New Council Would Extend To Battle Creek

Three Scout councils representing 14,083 boys and extending from Battle Creek to the Twin Cities vote tonight on a giant merger.

If representatives of Southwestern Michigan Council, Fruit Belt Council and Nottawa Trails Council vote two-thirds for the merger executive board members can start the unification.

The vote will be conducted at each of the three council headquarters with members of the representative councils casting ballots. All three councils must approve the merger in order for it to take place.

The merger would reduce administrative costs and lighten operations according to supporters. Opponents favor the more intimate present set up.

The merger has been under study for 18 months and is favored by most of the members of the executive councils of the three units.

Southwestern Michigan Council with headquarters in St. Joseph has 4,004 Scouts in 157 units, a potential of 26,000 boys, a \$111,879 operating budget and 326 acres devoted to camp grounds.

Southwestern Michigan Council covers Berrien and Cass counties and the western half of Van Buren county.

Fruit Belt Council has 5,759 boys in 208 units, 24,226 potential, \$119,665 budget and camp acreage of 1,660 acres. Fruit Belt covers Kalamazoo and St. Joseph counties and the eastern half of Van Buren county. Headquarters is in Kalamazoo.

Nottowa has 4,300 boys in 146 units out of a potential of 16,037 boys, a \$101,327 budget and 125 acres of camp ground. Headquarters is at Battle Creek.

The new Kalamazoo Scout service center would most likely become the headquarters for the automated bookkeeping and record keeping for the seven-county district.

The service center in St. Joseph would continue to service operations for the units

in Berrien, Cass and west half of Van Buren counties.

Merger committees have recommended the new district be called the Southwest Michigan council.



TOM RENNER
Re-elected chairman

Renner Reelected Chairman

SOUTH HAVEN — The South Haven housing commission re-elected its officers during the board's annual meeting last night.

Tom Renner was re-elected chairman. He was elected to the position this past August to fill the term of Matthew Goerg who resigned. Renner is a member of the city council and has served on the housing commission since July.

Re-elected vice-chairman was Herman Freidman while Miss Carol Jensen was again elected recording secretary.

The board voted to continue to hold its regular monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Monday in the community room of the Harbor View apartments, 325 Indiana avenue.



NAMES GOAL: Charles White, right, administrator of Comstock Memorial Family Health Care center in Dowagiac, hopes to enroll about 500 families in the first year of the center's health maintenance program. In addition to regular health care, the center will emphasize the prevention of illness before it strikes. Social worker Price Pullins, at left, will be participating in that part of the program. (Mike McDonough photo)

No Objections Are Raised Over Sewage Disposal Law

BY JERRY KRIEGER
County-Farm Editor

A much reworked, major amendment to the Berrien county sewage disposal regulation drew virtually no objections from a small handful of township officials at a public hearing Tuesday night.

The hearing did serve to spotlight the fact that a mandatory permit requirement in the amendment does not apply to existing homes, even if completely new sewage disposal systems are installed.

Edward M. Golson, director of environmental health, assured County Commissioner R.J. Burkholz of Higman Park that the permit requirement covers only new houses or other new structures that require individual septic systems.

In essence, the amendment would require health department approval for the sewage disposal system for every new home not connected to a municipal disposal system. The

original regulation, adopted in 1967, requires health department okay only where a disposal system was to be installed in swampy or poorly drained soil, leaving the interpretation of what was poorly drained soil to the home owner.

The amendment also provides for a \$10 permit fee, to go to the health department, and for a \$5 final inspection fee. The \$5 inspection fee is to go to the township inspection officer—normally the building inspector—if the township wants to conduct the inspections, or to the health department if the township asks the health department to make the final inspection.

Golson indicated minor changes suggested at the hearing will be made to the amendment and it will then be returned to the county board of commissioners. The county commissioners had sent the amendment back to the health department for a public hearing because of reported complaints from township officials.



COLOMA CONTENDERS: These four Coloma high school seniors are vying for the title of this year's Homecoming Queen. The winner will be crowned Friday night during halftime of the Coloma-Edwardsburg football game at Coloma. Left to right

are Rose Marie Faraone, Debbie Fikes, Penny Coombs and Sue Mattson. Homecoming activities also include a student snake dance and bonfire Thursday night and a parade through downtown Coloma Friday before the football game. (Cliff Stevens photo)